



**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO • DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND USE
BUILDING DIVISION**

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES
(Effective 02/18/2005)

The following fees shall be paid to the Department of Planning and Land Use for the processing of the following permits and applications:

Permit Type	FY 04-05		FY 05-06	
	Plan Review Fee	Permit Fee	Plan Review Fee	Permit Fee
Single Family Dwelling/Duplex	\$504 + \$0.278/sf	\$647 + \$0.226/sf	\$515 + \$0.284/sf	\$667 + \$0.229/sf
One & Two Family Tract Model	\$504 + \$0.278/sf	\$466 + \$0.161/sf	\$515 + \$0.284/sf	\$481 + \$0.163/sf
One & Two Family Tract Subsequent Phase	\$430 minimum for each unique floor plan. See Schedule F, Item 2	\$466 + \$0.161/sf	\$440 minimum for each unique floor plan. See Schedule F, Item 2	\$481 + \$0.163/sf
Guest House/Second Dwelling Unit	\$705 + \$0.282/sf	\$514 + \$0.157/sf	\$721 + \$0.288/sf	\$530 + \$0.159/sf
Cabana/Pool House	\$705 + \$0.282/sf	\$514 + \$0.157/sf	\$721 + \$0.288/sf	\$530 + \$0.159/sf
Barn, Ag Bldg. Acc to SFD for OTC Review	\$212	\$469	\$217	\$484
Barn, Ag Bldg. Acc to SFD Requiring Plan Check Submittal	\$754 + \$0.044/sf	\$469	\$771 + \$0.045	\$484
M-H Permanent Fdn (Private Lot)	\$267	\$497 + \$0.081/sf	\$273	\$512 + \$0.082/sf
Swimming Pool/Spa	\$107	\$276	\$109	\$285
Misc Permit. Minor int. SFD remodel/repair-no structural change, patio, carport, canopy, fence, re-roof, etc. Stairs, Radio Tower, Antenna	\$77	\$150	\$79	\$155
Commercial Misc. (Antenna, Canopy, Racks)	\$96	\$328	\$98	\$338
Major SFD Remodel, No Add'l sf	\$778	\$515	\$796	\$531
Retaining Wall (other than County Std)	\$87	\$221	\$89	\$228

Permit Type	FY 04-05		FY 05-06	
	Plan Review Fee	Permit Fee	Plan Review Fee	Permit Fee
Addition to SFD/Duplex (1 to 100 sf)	\$152	\$412	\$155	\$425
Addition to SFD/Duplex simple enough for OTC review (Larger than 100 sf)	\$202 + \$0.278/sf	\$480 + \$0.183/sf	\$208 + \$0.284/sf	\$495 + \$0.186/sf
Addition to SFD/Duplex requiring plancheck submittal (Larger than 100 sf)	\$767 + \$0.148/sf	\$480 + \$0.183/sf	\$784 + \$0.151/sf	\$495 + \$0.186/sf
Res. Garage or Storage Bldg. Simple enough for OTC review	\$104 + \$0.208/sf	\$350 + \$0.107/sf	\$106 + \$0.213/sf	\$361 + \$0.108/sf
Res. Garage, Carport or Storage Bldg. Requiring plancheck submittal	\$947 + \$0.061/sf	\$350 + \$0.107/sf	\$968 + \$0.062/sf	\$361 + \$0.108/sf
Demolition Permit	NA	\$79	NA	\$81
Compliance Survey	NA	\$142	NA	\$146
Move-On House	25% of the fee for a site built dwelling	75% of the fee for a site built dwelling, plus a compliance survey fee	25% of the fee for a site built dwelling	75% of the fee for a site built dwelling, plus a compliance survey fee
Electrical Only	NA	\$140	NA	\$144
Plumbing Only	NA	\$140	NA	\$144
Mechanical Only	NA	\$140	NA	\$144
Electrical and Plumbing	NA	\$172	NA	\$177
Electrical and Mechanical	NA	\$172	NA	\$177
Plumbing and Mechanical Only	NA	\$172	NA	\$177
Electrical, Plumbing, and Mechanical	NA	\$266	NA	\$274
Grading	\$290	\$245	\$299	\$253
Stormwater-Supplement as Fee for High Priority Projects	NA	\$340	NA	\$351
Temporary Construction Power	NA	\$74	NA	\$76
Temporary Occupancy Permits	NA	\$74	NA	\$76
Re-Inspection Fee	NA	\$74	NA	\$76
Permit Research Verification Fee	NA	\$15	NA	\$15
Appeal to Building Construction Appeals Advisory Board	\$500	NA	\$500	NA
Transfer of Plan Review or Permit to Different Parcel	\$250	NA	\$250	NA

Permit Type	FY 04-05		FY 05-06	
	Plan Review Fee	Permit Fee	Plan Review Fee	Permit Fee
Missed Appointment Fee	\$112	NA	\$115	NA
Pre-Application Conference	Time & Materials	NA	Time & Materials	NA

PROJECT TYPES NOT LISTED IN THE TABLES ABOVE:

When a project is not specifically listed in the Building Permit Fee table the fee shall be calculated based on the valuation as described in Schedule G of Section 362 of the San Diego County Administrative Code.

NOTES

1. **PLAN REVIEW FEES FOR RESIDENTIAL TRACTS:** When a plan is registered with the Building Official as a Master Plan, all subsequent plan reviews for that Master Plan will be charged the fee listed in the Building Permit Fee table. The minimum fee will be charged for each unique floor plan in the phase regardless of the total number of dwelling units in the phase. If more than two hours is required to intake and review each unique floor plan, the time in excess of two hours will be charged at the Time and Material Rate described in Schedule F, Item 1. Minor, nonstructural changes to Master Plans are acceptable, however, all additional staff time spent processing any plan changes will be added to the plan review fee.
2. **EXTENSION OF AN EXPIRED PLAN REVIEW:** When plans are submitted subsequent to plan review expiration, as permitted by the County Code, the plan review extension fee shall be 25 percent of the plan review fee prescribed above for newly submitted plans.
3. **PLAN CHANGES, ADDITIONS, REVISIONS OR INCOMPLETE PLANS:** Additional plan review required by plan changes, additions, or revisions to approved plans or because the plans are incomplete shall be charged at the time and material labor rate and the minimum charge shall be one-half hour.
4. **FEE REDUCTION FOR BUILDINGS USING SUSTAINABLE BUILDING PRACTICES:** For building permit applicants who voluntarily participate in the County of San Diego Green Building Program, as established by Board of Supervisors Policy F-50, the plancheck and permit fees shall be reduced by 7.5%. To qualify for this fee reduction, the project shall use one of the following sustainable building practices:
 - a) **Energy Conservation.** The project shall exceed California Energy Commission Standards by 15% or more for residential and 25% or more for commercial and industrial developments.

- b) Natural Resource Conservation. The project shall incorporate straw bale construction for all exterior walls or use recycled content in the building system. To be eligible for the fee reduction by using recycled content, the applicant must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Building Official that 20% or more of the primary materials being used in the building system contain 20% or more post-consumer recycled content. Any reused materials will be found to satisfy the 20% post-consumer recycled content requirement. A fee reduction may also be approved when the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Building Official that at least one primary building material (e.g. roofing material) is 50% or more post-consumer recycled content.
 - c) Water Conservation. The project shall include the installation of a graywater system. A permit is required from the Department of Environmental Health for the graywater system in addition to the building permit issued by Department of Planning and Land Use.
5. EXPEDITED PLAN REVIEW: When requested by the applicant and approved by the Building Official staff may use overtime to expedite a plan review. An additional fee shall be charged for this service. The fee amount shall be determined using the time and material labor rate multiplied by the amount of time staff spends on expedited plan review.
6. INSPECTIONS OUTSIDE OF NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS: When the Building Official approves inspections outside of normal business hours the fee shall be charged hourly at the rate of one and one-half times the standard time and material labor rate described in Schedule F, item 1. The minimum time charged shall be two hours.
7. REFUNDS: An applicant who has paid the applicable plan review or permit fees may withdraw the application by submitting a written request to the Director of Planning and Land Use. The Department shall discontinue work on such application within one working day from the receipt of said request, except that the Department may continue to process an application involving the violation of a County ordinance. The Director of Planning and Land Use shall not authorize the refund of any fee and/or deposit(s) paid except upon written application filed by the original applicant, received not later than one year after the date of fee payment.

Where a refund is requested of a flat fee, the refund amount shall be based upon work completed based on standard project tasks and milestones by permit types.

Flat fee refunds of \$5,000 or more must receive Board of Supervisor approval prior to payment.

Final permits and/or documents shall not be issued until all required fees/deposits are paid in full.

8. VIOLATIONS: When a violation of any County code includes or results from the failure to obtain a required permit a violation fee may be assessed as prescribed in San Diego County Code Sections 51.0107(107.5), 52.801 through

52.806, 53.124 through 53.125, 55.117, and 58.119 through 58.120. In all cases the additional violation fee or deposit amount shall be treated as a non-refundable flat fee, even if the initial amount is a deposit.

9. CHARGES FOR TECHNICAL REPORTS: Information, circulars, reports of technical work, and other reports prepared by the Department of Planning and Land Use when supplied to other government agencies, individuals or groups requesting copies of same may be charged for by the Department in a sum not to exceed the cost of publication and distribution of such documents.
10. HOMEOWNER AND BUSINESS OWNERS RELIEF – See form DPLU #612 for detailed explanation of fees related to the Homeowner and Business Owner Relief Act.
11. MISCELLANEOUS-HOURLY RATES: The fee for items not listed in the above fee schedules or those designated "Time and Materials" shall be determined by the actual costs incurred by the Department of Planning and Land Use. The cost will be determined by using the labor rates specified in Schedule F, Item 1, Time and Material Labor Rates.
12. SIGNS - REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT: The refundable deposit required prior to the approval of any administrative sign permit or minor use permit, as prescribed in the County Zoning Ordinance Section 6207 b. 1. xiv., shall be \$1,000.
13. MISSED APPOINTMENT FEE. The Building Official may charge this fee when an applicant does not show up for a scheduled plan submittal appointment or cancels the appointment less than 24 hours in advance.

SCHEDULE G – BUILDING PERMIT FEES BASED ON VALUATION

(1) BUILDING PERMIT FEES

FOR ISSUING EACH PERMIT \$15.00

TOTAL VALUATION	PERMIT FEE
\$1.00 to \$500.00	\$15.00
\$501.00 to \$2,000.00	\$15.00 for the first \$500.00 plus \$2.00 for each additional \$100.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$2,000.00.
\$2,001.00 to \$25,000.00	\$45.00 for the first \$2,000.00 plus \$9.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$25,000.00.
\$25,001.00 to \$50,000.00	\$252.00 for the first \$25,000.00 plus \$6.50 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00.
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00	\$414.50 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$4.50 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00.
\$100,001.00 to \$500,000.00	\$639.50 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$3.50 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00.
\$500,001.00 to \$1,000,000.00	\$2,039.50 for the first \$500,000.00 plus \$3.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$1,000,000.00.
\$1,000,001.00 and up	\$3,539.50 for the first \$1,000,000.00 plus \$2.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof.

(2) OTHER FEES UNDER SCHEDULE G:

PLAN REVIEW FEES. When a plan or other data is required or requested pursuant to the code, a plan review fee shall be paid at the time of submitting plans and specifications for review. Said plan review fee shall be 65% of the building permit fee.

DISABLED ACCESSIBILITY REVIEW FEES. The fee for conducting a review of plans for compliance with the disabled accessibility standards found at Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, to be assessed at the time of application for plan review, shall be an additional 10% of the plan review fee specified in Schedule G. The fee for conducting an inspection for compliance with said disabled accessibility standards, to be assessed at the time of issuance of a building permit, shall be an additional 10% of the building permit fee which is assessed under Schedule G.